

B-3571 - B-3574  
417 - 401 E. Cross St. (South side)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Private access

1842-1847

The south side of the 400 block of E. Cross St. is improved with a small group of two story, two bay wide gable-roofed brick houses built in the early 1840's by Isaac Vincent and Perry Dawson, partners in the development of the south-east corner of E. Cross St. and Riverside Ave. 401-407 E. Cross St., built by Vincent, is a row of small two story houses, sitting on low basements, which closely resemble the nearby pair at 1111-1113 Riverside Ave. 409-415 E. Cross St., built by Dawson, are larger houses which sit on quite high basements in which the kitchens are located. 417 E. Cross St., built by Vincent, originally resembled the smaller houses at 401-407 E. Cross St. but in a recent renovation the facade was entirely rebuilt and now has three levels of door and window openings instead of the original two.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

409-413 E. Cross St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☒ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☒ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO

**PRESENT USE**

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION****CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☐ GOOD  
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ UNALTERED (411)  
☒ ALTERED (409, 413)

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This row of two story, two bay brick houses with gable roofs was built as a unit in the early 1850's by the same builder who constructed the neighboring house at 415 E. Cross St. 409 and 413 E. Cross St. have been covered with formstone.

The houses are two stories in height, 14' wide, and occupy lots 50' deep. Each house is two rooms deep and there are no rear additions. The houses are constructed in running bond but the facades of 409 and 413 E. Cross St. have been covered with formstone. The low-pitched gable roofs have two-tier brick cornices. Each house has a double rectangular chimney located along both the front and rear roof gables. At 409 and 411 E. Cross St. the chimneys are located along the west side of the house; at 413 E. Cross St. they are located along the east side of the house.

The first floor and basement openings have common arch lintels; the second floor window openings have no lintels. All of the sills are wood. All of the window openings except for those at the basement and second floor level of 411 E. Cross St. are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. The basement and second floor window openings of 411 E. Cross St. are filled with 6/6 double hung sash. 409 E. Cross St. has a Victorian, four panel door; 411 and 413 E. Cross St. have modern flush doors. All of the doors are set beneath single light transoms which have been covered with siding or a modern storm window. The houses sit on full height basements and each has an entrance leading directly from the sidewalk into the original basement kitchen, set directly beneath the main entrance. The basement openings are filled with late panel doors set with upper glass panels. Each house also has a basement window opening located beneath the first floor window opening. At 409 and 413 E. Cross St. the first floor entrances are reached by a flight of eleven modern metal steps; at 411 E. Cross St. the entrance is reached by a flight of eleven wood steps. The basement doors are set at sidewalk level. A flat-roofed alleyway runs back between 411 and 413 E. Cross St., and back beneath the easternmost bay of 409 E. Cross St.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1842-1847

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Perry Dawson

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 1111-1113 Riverside Ave.

These houses were built by Perry Dawson, who had purchased the lot extending from Riverside Ave. to 417 E. Cross St. with Isaac Vincent in 1842. As with Vincent's houses at 401-407 E. Cross St., these houses were held by Dawson as rental property.<sup>1</sup> The houses are set on a high basement, where the kitchen is located, but otherwise are quite similar to the houses built by Dawson.

<sup>1</sup>Baltimore City Land Records, Liber TK 336, Folio 448; GR 555, Folio 186

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. &amp; Eccles

DATE

5/79

STREET &amp; NUMBER

1745 Circle Rd.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ruxton

STATE

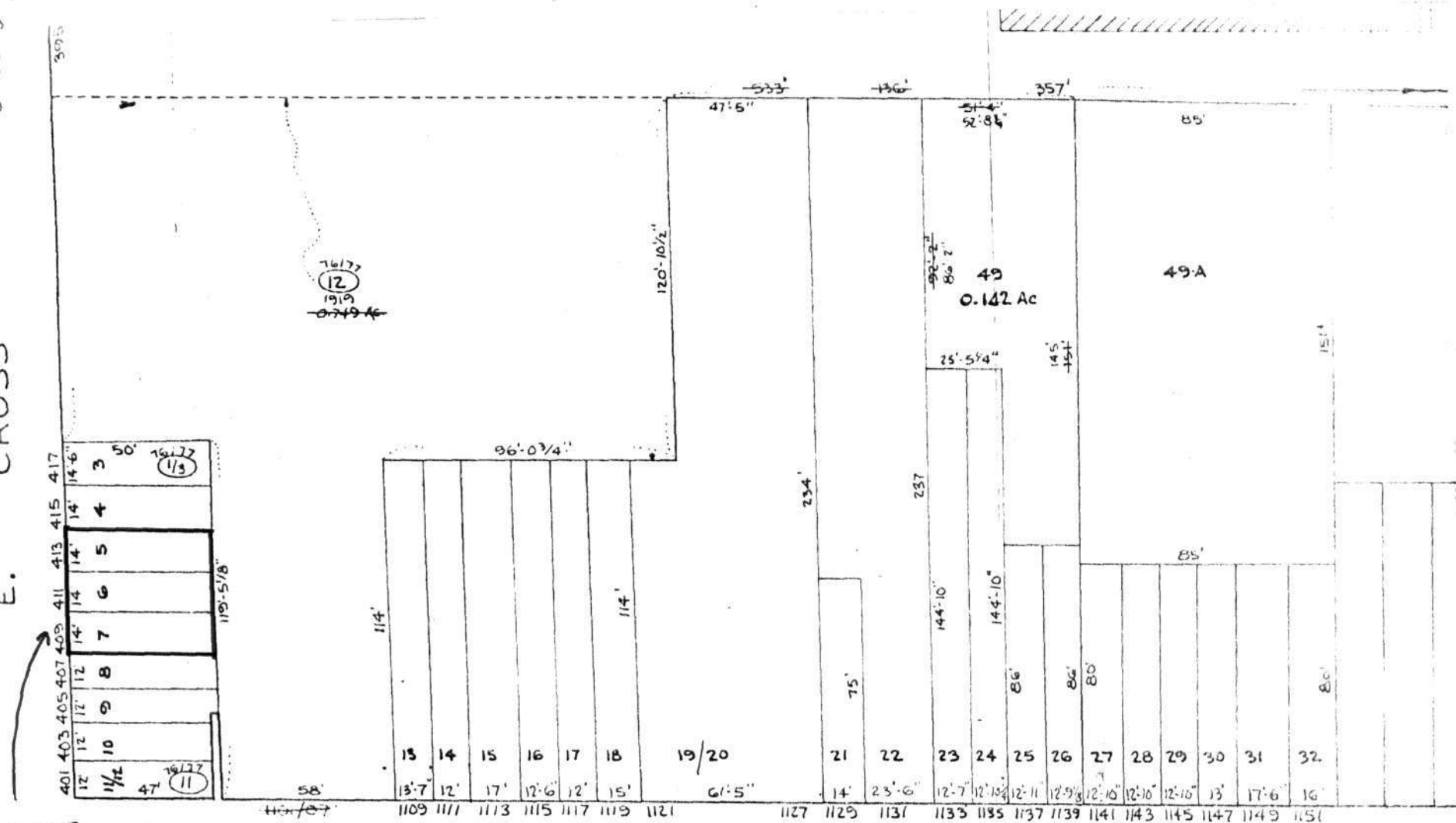
Maryland 21204

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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FE. CROSS



RIVERSIDE

AVE.

1918

SHEETS IN SET 2  
SHEET 1

○ DENOTES CONDITIONS FOR BLOCK 1920/21 FOR 76/77

CITY OF BAL  
DEPARTMENT OF P

PROPERTY LOCATED

NOTICE

B-3573  
409-413 E. Cross Street  
Block 1919 Lots 007-005  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.









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409-413 E. Cross St.

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North elevation